Order

Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan

April 27, 2017

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Stephen J. Markman, Chief Justice

Brian K. Zahra Bridget M. McCormack David F. Viviano Richard H. Bernstein Joan L. Larsen, Justices

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, Plaintiff-Appellee,

v SC: 154121 COA: 332326

JAMES DEAN BYARS, Defendant-Appellant.

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By order of November 30, 2016, the prosecuting attorney was directed to answer the application for leave to appeal the July 1, 2016 order of the Court of Appeals. On order of the Court, the answer having been received, the application for leave to appeal is again considered, and it is DENIED, because we are not persuaded that the questions presented should be reviewed by this Court. This denial is without prejudice to the defendant's right to file a motion for relief from judgment pursuant to MCR 6.500 *et seq.* that may include the issue of whether his appellate counsel provided ineffective assistance of counsel when appellate counsel failed to properly notice the defendant's prose motion for a new trial and/or to seek an adjournment.



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

April 27, 2017



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